GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Servants – Certain allegations against Dr. S.Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare – Disciplinary proceedings - Imposition of a penalty of "withholding one (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" – orders – Issued.

GENENRAL ADMINISTRATION (SC.D) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 927 Dated: 30-04-2016

Read the following:

1. G.O.Rt.No.99, H.M & F.W.(VC.II.2) Dept., Dt:23.01.2012.
2. From Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, written Statement of Defence, Dated:09.02.2012.
3. G.O.Rt.No.733, General Administration (SC-IFS) Department, Dt:20.02.2014.
4. From Dr. Prem Chand, Member, COI and Inquiring Authority D.O.Letter No.48/COI.P/2014, Dt:13.05.2014.
5. Govt. Memo. No.122/SC.B/A1/2012, General Administration (SC.B) Department, dated:21.07.2014.
6. From Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare representation Dt:14.08.2014.
7. Govt. Memo. No.122/SC.B/A1/2012, General Administration (SC.B) Department, dated:21.08.2015.
8. From Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare representation Dt:27.10.2015.

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O R D E R:

Disciplinary proceedings were initiated against Dr. S.Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad by framing the following Articles of Charges, vide reference 1st read above:-

CHARGE-I

That Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P. Hyderabad while working a Regional Director of Medical &Health Services, Kadapa has applied leave from 01.03.2008 to 16.01.2011 and during the said period she has done a job in Super Speciality Hospital at Dubai without taking prior permission from the Government.

CHARGE-II

That Dr. S. Aruna Kumari while working as Director of Public Health & Family welfare, AP, Hyderabad has again applied for 38 days E.L. from 09.02.2011 to 18.03.2011 and went to Dubai, without taking prior permission from the Government.

CHARGE-III

That Dr. S. Aruna Kumari Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P. Hyderabad has failed to produce / surrender her original Pass port along with renewals before the Govt., as directed by the Govt. vide Memo No.15386/VC.II.2/2011-2, HM&FW (VC.II.2) Dept., dt:18.10.2011 and 03.01.2012.

2. Dr. S. Aruna Kumari has submitted her Written Statement of Defence, in the reference 2nd read above, requesting to drop the above charges. After examination of the matter, the case was entrusted to Commissioner of Inquiries for detailed inquiry vide reference 3rd read above. The Inquiry Authority has submitted his Inquiry Report in the reference 4th read above, holding that that the Charge-I and

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Charge-III framed against the Charged Officer are not proved and Charge –II is held proved. A copy of the Inquiry Report has been communicated to Dr. S.Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, Hyderabad for her representation if any on the findings of the Inquiring Authority, vide reference 5th read above. Dr. S.Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, Hyderabad has submitted her representation in the reference 6th read above.

3. Government, after careful consideration of the entire matter, provisionally decided to impose a penalty of "withholding one (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" against Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director, P.H. & F.W., in the matter and a show cause notice has been issued notice under Rule 22 of A.P.Civil Services (CCA) Rules, 1991, vide reference 7th read above. Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director, P.H. & F.W., in her explanation in the reference 8th read above has inter-alia stated that "she has to rush immediately to attend to her ailing sister in abroad and returned immediately when she recovered from serious illness and it is bonafide and in good faith she was under the genuine impression that as it is a private and purely personal visit with a valid passport and valid documents and it is emergent situation, she travelled in good faith and it is neither willful nor wanted and it may not be treated as Misconduct warranting imposition of punishment; and requested the Government to consider her representation favorably and exonerate her from the charge proved.

4. Government, after careful examination of the explanation of the charged Officer with available records/documents has decided to impose a penalty of "withholding one (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect" against Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director, Public Health & Family Welfare, in the matter. Accordingly, Government hereby order to impose a penalty of withholding one (1) Annual Grade Increment without cumulative effect against Dr. S. Aruna Kumari, Director, Public Health & Family Welfare.

5. The Health, Medical & Family Welfare Department shall take necessary action in the matter.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

SATYA PRAKASH TUCKER
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Dr. S.Aruna Kumari, Director of Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Principal Secretary to Government, Health, Medical and Family Welfare (Vig.II) Department.
The Director, Public Health & Family Welfare, A.P., Hyderabad.
The Pay and Accounts Officer, A.P., Hyderabad.
Copy to:-
The Health, Medical and Family Welfare (Vig.II) Department.
The Registrar, I/o Lokayukta for the states of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana, Hyderabad (w.r.t Compliant No.120/2012/B1).
The Accountant General (A&E), A.P., Hyderabad.
SC/SFs.

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